





**GROUP 1773** 

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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CONSOLIDATED MATERIAL OF COATED POWDERS AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

TENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 For:

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding final Office Action dated January 31, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

## Please enter the following amended claims:

(Amended) The consolidated material of coated powders according to claims 1 5. or 3, wherein the base particle comprises a magnetic material.